

In the Matter of the Suspension or Revocation)
of the Educator Certificate of)
Arlene R. Marturano,)
Certificate 098896)

Date _____

Dr. Marturano holds a valid South Carolina certificate and has over thirty-five years of teaching experience. During the 2003-2004 school year, Dr. Marturano was employed by Richland County School District Two, assigned to Summit Parkway Middle School. While serving as a PACT test administrator during the spring of 2004, Dr. Marturano was reported to have reviewed student test booklets, returned them to certain students, and told those students that they needed to correct or complete their answers. The District placed Dr. Marturano on leave on May 12, 2004, while a test security violation investigation was conducted. On July 27, the District informed Dr. Marturano that she would be

allowed to resume her teaching duties, but would be reassigned to another school in the district. Dr. Marturano subsequently retired.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

"The State Board of Education may, for just cause, either revoke or suspend the certificate of any person." S.C. Code Ann. §59-25-150 (2004), S.C. Code Ann. §59-25-160 (2004); 24 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-58. Just cause includes unprofessional conduct and violation of the rules and regulations of the State Board of Education. S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-160 (2004). The Board finds that the information presented supports its conclusion that just cause exists for a Public Reprimand to be issued to Dr. Marturano for test security violations. Accordingly, the Board issues this Consent Order of Public Reprimand.

South Carolina State Board of Education

/S/ John E. Tindal

John E. Tindal, Chair

Columbia, South Carolina

January 9, 2007

I, Arlene R. Marturano, S.C. Educator Certificate 098896, do hereby agree to this Order of Public Reprimand, consisting of two pages, and understand that this Order will be presented as signed to the State Board of Education on January 9, 2007.

/S/ Arlene R. Marturano
Arlene R. Marturano

12/26/06
Date